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ROMANTIC CAREER OF A SLAVE.
William Duke, a colored deck hand, fell from the gang-plank of the steamer *Alber*, at Dover landing, on Saturday morning, about 2 o'clock, passed under the boat and was seen no more. The turbulent waters of the Missouri scarcely ever closed over a more eventful life than was William Duke's. Born a slave to Dr. Basil Duke, of Kentucky, he attracted the attention of the family at an early age by his brightness and good temper, and in consequence was granted unusual indulgence.

When eight years of age he had acquired from association with white boys a fair English education, and accompanied his master to Mexico in the capacity of a servant. At the battle of Cerro Gordo he was wounded in the leg. At first the wound was supposed to be slight, and received but little attention; subsequently it became alarming, and an investigation revealed the fact that the wound had been inflicted by a copper missile.

The professional skill and assiduous nursing of his master saved his leg and his life, but from that time he was slightly lame.

About the year 1855 he was manumitted and apprenticed to a barber in St. Louis. After completing his apprenticeship he practiced his trade on the Mississippi river, and in two years became the most popular and best known barber on the river.

In 1858 he married a quadroon girl in St. Louis, who had attracted some attention by her beauty, and established her in a comfortable house, surrounded by many circumstances of domestic life. She proved unworthy, and within 12 days of the marriage she committed a homicide in his house under circumstances which called forth in his behalf the sympathy of the people of St. Louis generally. He was indicted for murder, and his wife was absconded with by Basil Duke, Esq., and other distinguished lawyers; but notwithstanding the proof entirely failed to establish a higher crime than that of murder in the second degree, the verdict, under the rigid ruling of Judge Glover, was murder in the first degree, and he was sentenced to suffer the extreme penalty of the law. A petition for Executive clemency was quickly gotten up, humorously signed by leading citizens, and presented to Gov. Stewart by his counsel. A full pardon was granted, and the Colonel, as he was called, was at liberty, broken down in health and spirit, and his health continued to decline, and he rapidly contracted the habit of excessive drinking.

When the civil war commenced he asked permission to go to Kentucky, which was granted, and within a few days thereafter he was once more in camp in service of his old master. His health rapidly improved, and in a few months he was as well known in General Williams' brigade as the General himself. He participated in several engagements, was twice wounded, once at Fayetteville very seriously.

When the war closed he located in New Orleans; was a member of the Legislature of Louisiana during the session of 68; distinguished himself by his conservatism and opposition to the reconstruction ring legislation. He was proscribed by his race, and systematically persecuted by white radicals to such an extent that he was forced to leave New Orleans. His old habit of drinking obtained the mastery, and for eighteen months his life has been that of an aimless vagabond. Recently he was stimulated to make an effort to reform, and with this view he sought and obtained employment on the *Alber*. For six or eight weeks previous to his death his habits were good—[Lexington, Mo., Intelligence.]

AN AMERICAN DIFFICULTY.
A very extraordinary case, remarks the Fall Mail Gazette, July 23, was before Sir Thomas Henry, at Bow street yesterday. Col. Eugene Edward Fairfax Williamson, described as an American citizen, and formerly of the Confederate Army, was charged with attempting to extort \$250,000 from Mr. Adolph Rosenbaum, of No. 1 Bloomsbury square, by messages and threats, and to annoy the prosecutor, by calling at his residence. The prisoner had been apprehended on a warrant, and was unindicted. George Lewis, for the prosecution, said that for some time past the prosecutor and his wife had been annoyed by the receipt of letters signed "Vengeance," and by the visits of strangers to their house at all hours of the day and night, to keep appointments which they said the prosecutor had made with them. Hundreds of people had called, many of them having come up from the country at great inconvenience and expense, and his client and his wife had been driven almost to the verge of madness by this unceasing persecution. Some of them had come to dine, or to luncheon, or to evening gatherings; others came to accept of presents which had been offered them in Mr. Rosenbaum's name. Concurrently there came repeated letters from "Vengeance," demanding a sum of fifty guineas as the price of peace, and threatening still greater annoyance if this demand was not acceded to at once; the demand was to be raised to seventy guineas in a week or two, if the money was not paid. At length, suspicion was aroused. On Sunday last, when the usual streams of people were calling at his house, the prosecutor observed the prisoner standing at the window of his next house, watching the arrivals. He was at once recognized as a former lodger in Mr. Rosenbaum's house, and the thought flashed upon the latter that this person was the writer of all these anonymous letters, and the cause of all the annoyance to which he had been exposed. The police, acting upon this information, made inquiries and found a letter in the prisoner's lodgings, evidently in the same handwriting as that of the anonymous letters, and the cause of all the annoyance to which he had been exposed. The police, acting upon this information, made inquiries and found a letter in the prisoner's lodgings, evidently in the same handwriting as that of the anonymous letters, and the cause of all the annoyance to which he had been exposed.

The number of National Banks in the United States at the close of April was 1,962, a gain of 118. This includes all specie banks, of which there is only one outside of California. The capital stock of these 1,962 banks is given at \$487,891,000, a gain of \$20,000,000 during the year. Dividing this gain among the new banks started during the interval, shows an average of \$160,000 to each. The amount of National Bank notes outstanding at the close of April was \$338,164,000, and increase of \$12,800,000 as compared with the same time last year. The amount of loans and discounts given at \$908,000,000, a gain of \$67,000,000 in the year. The amount of specie held was \$16,808,000, against \$24,444,000 for the same time last year. The banks report a surplus fund of \$115,805,000 and \$52,415,000 undivided profits, a gain of \$11,000,000 and \$6,000,000 respectively as compared with the same time last year.

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SAD END OF AN INFATUATED GIRL.

The Downville (Cal.) Messenger, of July 20th, says:
On Wednesday night, July 23d, a woman by the name of Mrs. Lotta Warner committed suicide at Sierra City by taking poison. The history of this case is not obscure, and the moral it points to is not obscure. The deceased was the wife of a man by the name of Warner, down in the circus which passed through here a few weeks ago. At Sierra City she was taken sick and was necessarily left behind. From this sickness she had nearly recovered. She appears, however, to have been tired of the life she was leading, and the bad treatment of the man she had forsaken home and friends to follow. During her stay in the city she told the following story. When but 16 years old she forsook her home and friends in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was married to William Warner, the clown of the Paricircus, since which time she followed his fortunes. She states that at times he had abused her, even going so far as to knock her down. In her delirious moments, during her sickness, she imagined her husband was with her, and begged and pleaded of him not to beat her any more. During her convalescence she often expressed her determination never to live with him again, and expressed a desire to find some employment whereby she might earn her own living. At the time she ran away from home, lured by the gold and tinsel, the spangle and glitter of circus trappings, she was a mere child of sixteen. Four years only have passed, and now, still but a child in years, she is ready for the grave—older in suffering, if her own statements be true, than many of her more favored sisters, whose locks are frosted by the hand of time. She died at Bush's hotel, where she had been during her illness, and where she had been the recipient of every attention which the kind-hearted people among whom she was, could bestow. She stated that she had relatives by the name of Watson living in Cincinnati.

A TOLL STORY.—The Sacramento Bee is responsible for this: "When Governor Booth and Jim Eastman were stumping the State together in the canvass of 1871, they spoke one morning at Yuba county, one Saturday night. They remained there that night and all the next day. Of course they went to church, attending Sunday school after service. Newton Booth, then a candidate for Governor, was invited by the teachers to say a few words to the children, which he did in a very happy and felicitous style. Coming away from the school arm in arm with Eastman, a little boy ran after, overtook them, and said to Booth: 'O sir, I know you are.' 'Do you, my boy?' said the Governor. 'Who then am I?' 'You are the great Newton Booth,' responded the little chap. 'Very true, my boy,' replied his budding Excellency, putting the flaxen head, 'but you must ever remember, said he with an elevation of the right hand and an erection of the index finger, 'that there is one greater than I—God.' 'And would you believe it,' said the reporter, 'that the Sacramento Union has gone back even on that.'

DEAR MOTHER EARTH.—The following data are interesting as showing the relative value of land in London, New York, Chicago and San Francisco. In the most central business locations in London land is worth \$135 per square foot, \$113 per square foot in New York, \$36.57 per square foot in Chicago, and \$22 per square foot in San Francisco. The latter estimate is based on a value of \$3,000 per front foot and a size of 25x137 1/2 for the lot. The best residence property is worth \$2,000 to \$3,000 per front foot in New York, \$300 to \$500 per front foot in Chicago, and \$100 to \$200 per front foot in San Francisco. The average price here is but \$175 per front foot.—[S. F. Chronicle.]

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